

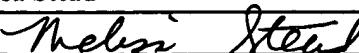


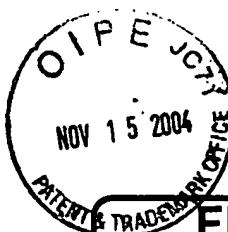
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<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b>		Application No.	10/502,305
<i>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</i>		Filing Date	July 20, 2004
		First Named Inventor	Philippe LIEBAERT
		Art Unit	
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT**      **(\\$)**      **170.00**

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		FeePaid
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1001	790	2001	395	Utility filing fee
1002	350	2002	175	Design filing fee
1003	550	2003	275	Plant filing fee
1004	790	2004	395	Reissue filing fee
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee
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### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	FeePaid
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Independent Claims			
Multiple Dependent			

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1204	88	2204	44	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	130.00		
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet			
2053	130	2053	130	Non-English specification			
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination			
1804	920 *	1804	920 *	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
1805	1,840 *	1805	1,840 *	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action			
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month			
1252	430	2252	215	Extension for reply within second month			
1253	980	2253	490	Extension for reply within third month			
1254	1,530	2254	765	Extension for reply within fourth month			
1255	2,080	2255	1,040	Extension for reply within fifth month			
1404	340	2401	170	Notice of Appeal			
1402	340	2402	170	Filing a brief in support of an appeal			
1403	300	2403	150	Request for oral hearing			
1451	1,510	2451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable			
1453	1,370	2453	685	Petition to revive - unintentional			
1501	1,370	2501	685	Utility issue fee (or reissue)			
1502	490	2502	245	Design issue fee			
1503	660	2503	330	Plant issue fee			
1460	130	2460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner			
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)			
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt			
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)			40.00
1809	790	1809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))			
1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))			
1801	790	2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application			
Other fee (specify)							
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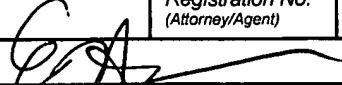
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PHILIPPE LIEBAERT

Application No.: 10/502,305

Filed: July 20, 2004

For: **METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF METALLIC ELEMENTS OF HIGH PURITY SUCH AS CHROMES**

Art Group:

Examiner:

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing Requirements mailed October 7, 2004, please find enclosed:

- a duly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney with payment in the amount of \$130.00 for the surcharge of 37 CFR § 1.16(e);

and

- a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements.

If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. An extra copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 07/20/2004
- English Translation of the IA filed on 07/20/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 07/20/2004
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 07/20/2004
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/20/2004
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/20/2004
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 07/20/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/20/2004

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

## SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE**

DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.*

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